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REF: STATE 240282 AND 242623; USUN 4711

1. AT BEGINNING OF CALL ARRANGED ON ANOTHER MATTER, DIRECTOR OF FSFA NORTH AMERICA DEPT STARCEVIC DELIVERED DEMARCHE TO DCM REGARDING RECENT ANTI-YUGOSLAV DEMONSTRATIONS AND INCIDENTS IN US. YUGOSLAVS FOUND IT DIFFICULT TO UNDERSTAND RASH OF INCIDENTS AIMED AGAINST YUGOSLAVIA IN US. HE ASSERTED THAT DEMONSTRATORS AT YUGOSLAV UN MISSION BROKE THE LAW AND POLICE DID NOT ACT OR COOPERATE TO PREVENT THIS. WINDOWS OF AMBASSADOR PETRIC'S OFFICE WERE BROKEN AND DEMONSTRATORS BROKE INTO FOYER OF CONGEN. ACCORDING TO HIS INFORMATION, IN NEITHER CASE DID POLICE COOPERATE OR KEEP PEOPLE AWAY AS REQUIRED BY US LAW.

2. HE THEN RECALLED SEPT 10 INCIDENT WHEN PITTSBURGH CONGEN WAS ATTACKED BY TWO OR THREE PERSONS "WHILE POLICE NEARBY WATCHED AND DID NOTHING". HE ALSO MENTIONED ATTACK ON CONSUL GENERAL BULAJIC IN NEW YORK. IN LATTER TWO CASES, HE SAID, SOME PEOPLE IN BELGRADE
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TO ATTACK YUGOSLAV OFFICIALS ON THEIR OWN. STARCEVIC ALSO REFERRED TO THREATS TO AMBASSADOR GRANFIL AND RECENT BOMB EXPLOSION IN CLEVELAND AT RESTAURANT OWNED BY PERSON OF YUGOSLAV ORIGIN. STARCEVIC CONCLUDED THAT TREATMENT OF ATTACKERS AND DEMONSTRATORS IS CLEARLY US BUSINESS AND GOY WILL BE WATCHING HOW USG ACTS.

3. DCM REPLIED THAT WE, OF COURSE, REGRETTED ANY DAMAGE INFLICTED ON YUGOSLAV PREMISES. AS YUGOSLAV EMBASSY AND PERMREP HAD BEEN INFORMED, US OBVIOUSLY DOES NOT CONDONE OR COUNTENANCE VIOLENT DEMONSTRATIONS. IN CASE OF CONGEN IN NEW YORK, WE UNDERSTOOD POLICE HAD TAKEN EFFECTIVE ACTION, AND WHILE WE HAD NOT YET RECEIVED REPORT ON NYDP ACTION BEFORE YUGOSLAV PERM REP MISSION, HE WAS CONFIDENT POLICE THERE HAD ALSO ACTED PROMPTLY. AS STARCEVIC KNEW, WE COULD NOT LEGALLY PREVENT THESE DEMONSTRATIONS, BUT POLICE THROUGHOUT THE US WERE ALWAYS ALERTED TO ANY THREATS AGAINST YUGOSLAV PREMISES OR OFFICIALS AND PROMPT, EFFECTIVE ACTION WAS TAKEN.

4. DEMARCHE WAS RELATIVELY LOW-KEY, AND STARCEVICE WENT ON TO DISCUSS SECRETARY'S VISIT IN VERY FRIENDLY MANNER.
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